



# Pooled Resources Oversight Committee

## DRAFT AGENDA

**Wednesday, July 23, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**USGS, 934 Broadway, Tacoma 98402**

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Permittee representatives:

- ☐ Will Appleton
- ☐ Ben Parrish
- ☐ Jim Simmonds
- ☐ Kelly Uhacz

Other stakeholder representatives:

- ☐ Chris Konrad
- ☐ Tom Putnam
- ☐ Bruce Wulkan

Permittee alternates:

- ☐ Heather Kibbey
- ☐ Kit Paulsen
- ☐ Bill Reilly
- ☐ Carla Vincent

Other stakeholder alternates:

- ☐ Abby Barnes
- ☐ Jay Davis
- ☐ Katelyn Kinn

RSMP Coordinator:

- ☐ Brandi Lubliner

SWG Staff:

- ☐ Karen Dinicola

### THE COMMITTEE'S PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Committee is to provide transparency, efficiency, and accountability of the expenditure of the Pooled Fund for the Regional Stormwater Monitoring Program (RSMP). The Committee will provide feedback to Ecology through the Stormwater Work Group (SWG) regarding the schedule, scope, budget, and quality of the program's deliverables and verify that contracts are implemented.

### THE MEETING'S GOALS:

1. Select a chair and vice-chair for the Committee
2. Review and discuss Ecology's proposed approach to and the Committee's needs for future budget reporting
3. Review and discuss implementation of RSMP Small Streams Status and Trends Monitoring: confirmed site list and contracting needs for conducting the sampling and laboratory work
4. Review and discuss implementation of RSMP Effectiveness Studies: engineers' reviews, scopes of work (SOWs), and contracting process
5. Review and discuss implementation of the Source Identification Information Repository (SIDIR): future topics
6. Hear any concerns or suggestions related to our work
7. Review decisions, recommendations, and action items coming out of this meeting

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9:00 Welcome, introductions, and review of the meeting's agenda and goals

9:05 Committee Chair and Vice Chair

- *SWG chair Jim Simmonds chaired the past three meetings of this Committee while the appointed members were serving in an interim capacity. At its meeting on June 11 the SWG confirmed the Committee members and alternates listed above for two-year terms. The Committee's charter states that "The Committee members shall elect a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson by vote of a majority of the full Committee."*
- *Who is willing to serve in these positions? Who is selected for each?*



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### 9:10 Budget reporting to this Committee

- *Ecology has developed an accounting system for each component of the RSMP. Income and expenditures for (1) status and trends, (2) effectiveness studies, (3) Source Identification Information Repository, and (4) program administration are tracked separately. A cumulative report for each activity is generated at the end of each month of Ecology's biennium. A test example for Month 11 of the biennium (May 2014) was sent as an attachment to the email transmitting this agenda to Committee members on July 16.*
- *What additional information would Committee members like to have with these budget reports?*

### 9:25 Oversight of Status and Trends Monitoring

- *At previous meetings the Committee has approved a contract for confirming sites and recommended the overall scope (parameters), budget, and priorities for the small streams monitoring.*
- *The USGS recently delivered to Ecology lists of stream sites that (1) are acceptable, (2) might be suitable, and (3) are rejected for RSMP sampling inside and outside UGAs. The lists were attached to transmitting this agenda to Committee members on July 16; there are some minor corrections to the versions sent to Committee members in an email from Brandi on July 1. As indicated in the spreadsheets, RSMP Coordinator Brandi Lubliner is working to apportion the final lists of sites among the permittees (counties) that have expressed interest in conducting the sampling. Each county will provide budget estimates to conduct the sampling and the USGS will provide a cost estimate for sampling the RSMP sites not taken on by the permittees.*
- *The Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) for this monitoring is basically the Ecology-approved QAPP for the monitoring conducted by permittees who chose not to participate in the RSMP status and trends monitoring component. Brandi is working to finalize the RSMP QAPP. USGS might help counties with flow monitoring.*
- *WSDOT has opted to participate in the RSMP and will contribute \$27K/year to the Pooled Resources Account for status and trends monitoring. This Committee may recommend how that money be spent. Some ideas: adding roadside use pesticides to the stream sediment chemistry; adding mussel monitoring sites; expanding the periphyton data collection. (The first two ideas were alternative options in WSDOT's permit.)*
- *The contracting process for the streams monitoring will continue over the weeks ahead. Contracting needs for conducting this work include 4-5 interagency agreements (IAAs) with Counties, a joint funding agreement (JFA) with USGS, and at least 3 contracts with labs. What additional information or review do Committee members need in advance of Ecology proceeding with these RSMP contracts?*

### 10:00 Break

### 10:15 Oversight of RSMP Effectiveness Studies

- *At our last meeting the Committee in discussed the need to review the projects' scopes of work, particularly the deliverables and budgets for the first four studies. Three of the project proponents have not yet submitted revised proposals, but are expected to do so within the next week. The SOW from USFWS was sent as an attachment to the email transmitting this agenda to Committee members on July 16.*
- *Ecology engineers reviewed both King County proposals: Echo Lake and Hylebos; these reviews were sent to Committee members in an email from Brandi on July 9. The project proponents will involve stormwater engineers in developing their QAPPs (their first deliverables) for those studies to address the BMP construction issues raised in the reviews. The Committee may wish to recommend whether toxicity monitoring be retained in these studies and discuss the desired outcome of receiving water monitoring.*
- *Derek Day is Ecology's staff support for contracting. He will explain the deliverables-based approach Ecology will use for the RSMP contracts and provide examples relevant to the first four projects.*
- *Does the Committee have a recommendation as to who should own any equipment purchased for the studies?*
- *The contracting process for the four effectiveness studies will continue over the weeks ahead. What additional information or review do Committee members need in advance of Ecology proceeding with finalization of these RSMP contracts?*



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### 11:45 Oversight of Source Identification Information Repository (SIDIR)

- *No updates to share today. The SWG SIDIR subgroup will convene in early fall to address improvements to the illicit discharge event results database and collection method, the approach to data analysis and reporting, and needs for a methods library.*

### 11:50 Concerns or suggestions

- *Are there any other issues or relevant information that Committee members would like to share?*
- *Are there any other issues or relevant information that others present would like to share?*

### 11:55 Recap of today's meeting and hear other updates

- *Summarize decisions, action items, and next steps from today's meeting*
- *Are there other activities, decisions, or upcoming events of which work group members should be aware?*

### 12:00 Adjourn

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